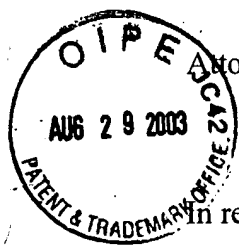


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**Petition to Withdraw from Issue
Under 37 C.F.R. 1.313(c)(2)**

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to withdraw the above-referenced application from issue to permit consideration of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 accompanied by an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97.

Applicants do not waive any right to appropriate action to establish patentability over the cited references should it be applied against the pending claims.

As suggested in M.P.E.P. § 1308, a representative of the Applicants has contacted the Office of Petitions and was informed by Ms. Sherry Brinkley that sufficient time remains before the patent issue date to consider a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c). In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1308, this petition is sufficient grounds to waive the requirement that an application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 be filed before payment of the issue fee. Applicants respectfully request that the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed with an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO/SB/08 on May 15, 2003 be considered. If a re-submission of the RCE, IDS and PTO/SB/08 is required, please contact the undersigned.

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